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Re: Lynnwood Utility

Mr. Malone, Ms. Kyle, Mr. Greer:

This communication is to provide input to the TRA concerning the recent rate increase by Lynnwood Utility District in Williamson County. It is my understanding that TRA will consider a Petition for Reconsideration of this increase on July 11.

While none of the customers of Lynnwood Utility would question the need for upgrades and improvements, we are quite concerned about the amount of the rate increase to pay for them. The new rate, \$5.77 per 1,000 gallons of water used, is 3-4 times the previous rate, and is about 70 percent higher than the rates charged by other utilities in the area.

When this was first announced, most Cottonwood residents worried that our rates were being raised more than what was needed for repairs and upgrades -- we suspected that we were paying for the additional capacity to serve Legends Ridge and River Landing. The Williamson AM section of the Tennessean this week confirmed that. If Mr. Terry did in fact waive tap fees for purchasers of his lots in Legends Ridge, while at the same time raising rates for existing customers, that is unthinkably arrogant and unethical.

Clearly, the rate increases for existing customers should reflect the capital required to repair and upgrade the system, and whatever the operating costs are after that. The capital to build additional capacity should be covered by tap fees for new customers. I would urge TRA to consider this in reviewing and revising the rate structure for Lynnwood Utility.

Thank you for allowing my input.

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On May 10, the TRA for approved a rate increase requested by the Lynnwood Utility district. As a result of this approval, my sewer bills will reflect a 300 to 400 percent increase.

You have me confused again. You have either been manipulated or misled by a poor businessman who has chosen to recoup his land speculation (gambling?)losses by expecting users of a utility to salvage his poor business decisions.

This is criminal on his part and criminal on your part to not see through this strategy. It is my expectation that you would all (Sargent and Blackburn included) advocate for the fair interests of the citizens of Tennessee and your constituents. This is a clear case of bad decision making. I must say, I am shocked and angered that you have you allowed yourselves to be misled by Dave Terry and risked allowing Williamson County residents to be robbed to support the financial irresponsibilities of Dave Terry.

It is my recommendation that you all take this very seriously and reconsider this decision. This is grossly excessive and should not be allowed to stand.

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Cottonwood Homeowner's Association

Attention: Very Important Issue

This is a major protest we are formally writing to complain about the 300-400% increase placed, without warning, on Cottonwood residents. Once again, the less financially comfortable are forced to support the wealthier.

Did Lynnwood Utilities think we would overlook the increase? Did they think they could slip the increase of 300-400% into our normal \$14.25-\$16.25 per month and it would go unnoticed? Cottonwood maintains matured landscaping. The water that is needed to keep Cottonwood beautiful enters the sewer lines and SHOULD NOT BE COSTLY.

## A FAIR SOLUTION IS A RATE AVERAGE THAT IS SHARED!!!!!!!

We think our preposterous rate increase of 300-400% is supporting Legends Ridge and River Landing-----why should they continue to get a free ride? There is something being overlooked, swept under the rug and ignored and Cottonwood is literally paying the price.

You must take notice and HELP US stand up for an upstanding community that has been well maintained for nearly 30 years.

Sincerely, William and Maureen Clarke and Dorothy Leahy 115 Cottonwood Circle Franklin, TN. 37069

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